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PLAN CHECK NOTE

From: Building Plan Check PCN #5

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Subject: Structural Observation

Code reference:

2007 California Building Code

Purpose:

This document is to clarify section 1709, item #5

Findings:

In addition to the provision in section 1709, items 1 through 4, for complex and unusual types of structural framing, structural observation per requirements of section 1709, item 5, may be required. For consultant reviewed projects, if the reviewer determines it is necessary to provide for observation he/she shall inform the City Plan Check Engineer (PCE) in the building division, and the PCE shall make the final decision on requiring this service. Also, the schedule of significant stages of construction when observation is necessary shall be completely outlined along with any special inspection requirements on the drawings.